UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

ENGAGE AVIATION, LLC,

Plaintiff,

v. CASE NO. 8:17-cv-562-T-26CPT

REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA,

Defendant.
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O R D E R

UPON DUE AND CAREFUL CONSIDERATION of the procedural history of this case, including Defendant's declarations attached to its motions for extension of time, the Court concludes that defense counsel had insufficient time within which to conduct a meaningful conference with their client regarding Plaintiff's proposed motion to strike affirmative defenses before that motion was filed. Accordingly, Plaintiff's Motion to Strike Defendant Republic of Argentina's Affirmative Defenses (Dkt. 28) is **denied without prejudice**. Counsel for the parties shall confer again within the next seven (7) days in a good faith effort to resolve the issues raised in the motion without Court intervention. In the event Plaintiff refiles the motion, the Court puts counsel on notice that it will direct an expedited response and schedule an expedited hearing. Defendant's Unopposed Motions for Extension of Time (Dkts. 31 and 32) are **denied as moot**.

DONE AND ORDERED at Tampa, Florida, on February 7, 2018.

s/*Richard A. Lazzara*
RICHARD A. LAZZARA
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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